

**SUMMARY OF
IMPORTANT REVISIONS
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION STORM WATER PERMIT**

| DRAFT PERMIT | REVISED DRAFT PERMIT |
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| Non-Storm Water Discharges | |
| Specifically states that non-storm water BMPs be implemented year-round. Provides better discussion of compliance concerning non-storm water discharges. | Same expanded discussion of non-storm water BMPs with the addition of requiring filtration for dewatering sediment basins in instances which could cause or contribute to an exceedance of the applicable RWQCB's Basin Plan. |
| Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) | |
| <p>Specifies that a new owner may maintain the SWPPP only if it is current and applicable; otherwise it must be amended or redone.</p> <p>Provides more specific requirements for SWPPP. Erosion control BMPs are to be described separately from sediment control BMPs. Design storms were specified for both erosion control BMPs and sediment control BMPs.</p> <p>The term "final stabilization" is defined.</p> <p>Post-construction language is broadened to include construction design decisions.</p> | <p>Provides a time frame for SWPPP revision</p> <p>Design storm criteria has been removed for erosion control BMPs and minor sediment control BMPs. Trapping efficiency performance standards are specified for sediment basin design and maintenance pursuant to either local county ordinance, EPA criteria, standard surface area equation, or equivalent method. The 10-year, 6-hour rain event is specified for the standard equation design.</p> <p>"Final stabilization" is defined, options for equivalent stabilization measures are discussed.</p> <p>Post construction language has been altered to exclude design decisions, but addresses irrigation systems, illegal connections to storm drains, and down-stream effects from diverted flows.</p> |
| Receiving Water Limitations Language | |
| Contains the same general narrative language as the 1992 permit, but also specifies a process to be followed if the permittee determines that their storm water discharges are causing or contributing to the exceedance of an applicable water quality standard | Same with minor changes. |
| Monitoring Program | |
| <p>Requires inspections before and after storm events and every 24 hours during extended storm events.</p> <p>Minimum inspection requirements are listed. A sample inspection form has been developed as guidance.</p> | <p>Requires inspections before and after storm events and every 24 hours during extended storm events with language addressing safety considerations for entry following storms.</p> <p>The inspection form has been altered to reflect safety considerations.</p> |
| Termination | |
| Allows and provides a mechanism to terminate or add coverage for parcels or tracts sold or transferred | Termination language in permit is minimal. Guidance will be developed to address mechanism for information changes such as sales or transfers. |